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SUBJ: HUMAN RIGHTS VETTING FOR CAMBODIAN NOMINEES FOR ILEA  
"CLANDESTINE LAB INVESTIGATIONS/CHEMICAL CONTROL" COURSE IN  
BANGKOK--REQUEST RESPONSE BY NOVEMBER 28, 2008

REF: STATE 93057

[1](#)1. This is an action cable. See Paragraph Six.

[1](#)2. Reftel is guidance for screening nominees for U.S.-sponsored training programs.

[1](#)3. Post requests a Leahy vetting response from the Department by November 28, 2008. The individuals listed below will attend ILEA Clandestine Lab Investigations/Chemical Control Course scheduled for January 12 - January 23, 2009 with report date of January 11, 2009 in Bangkok, Thailand. To comply with the Leahy amendment relative to U.S.-sponsored security assistance training, the U.S. Embassy Phnom Penh conducted local human rights vetting for the following individuals selected for ILEA-funded training:

NOMINEES:

NAME: SOK, Khemarin (Male)  
DPOB: Sep. 12, 1970; Kampong Speu  
POSITION: Deputy Director  
RANK: Col.  
DEPT/UNIT: MOI, Criminal Department

NAME: PHAN, Pheng (Male)  
DPOB: Aug. 14, 1952; Kampong Cham  
POSITION: Deputy Commissioner  
RANK: Lt. Col.  
DEPT/UNIT: Municipal Commissary Police

NAME: LIM, Map (Male)  
DPOB: Feb. 9, 1971; Prey Veng  
POSITION: Deputy Office Chief  
RANK: Maj.  
DEPT/UNIT: Banteay Meanchey Provincial Police

NAME: OUM, Viroth (Male)  
DPOB: Jan. 1, 1973; Stung Treng  
POSITION: Deputy Office Chief  
RANK: Capt.  
DEPT/UNIT: Stung Treng Provincial Police

ALTERNATE:

NAME: HEM, Phalla (Male)  
DPOB: Jan. 10, 1959; Kandal  
POSITION: Deputy Office Chief  
RANK: Maj.  
DEPT/UNIT: Kampong Speu Provincial Police

[1](#)4. U.S. Embassy Phnom Penh has reviewed its files and finds that, as of this date, it possesses no credible information of gross violations of human rights by the above-mentioned individuals.

[1](#)5. The individuals listed above will attend ILEA Clandestine Lab Investigations/Chemical Control Course scheduled for January 12 - January 23, 2009 with report date of January 11, 2009 in Bangkok,

Thailand. These courses will provide the participants with an understanding on current approaches to dealing with precursor chemicals and clandestine laboratories. The courses will provide concepts to improve investigative effectiveness and detailed instruction regarding control strategies used in Southeast Asia and in other parts of the world.

¶6. Please verify whether the Department possesses any credible information that the individuals named above have been implicated in gross violations of human rights. Post requests a Leahy vetting response from the Department by November 28, 2008.

¶7. Point of contact for Amembassy Phnom Penh is Janet Deutsch at deutschje@state.gov or tel: 855-23-728-118, or Alicia Gale at galean@state.gov or tel: 855-023-728-110.

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